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HOST-FABRIC ADAPTER HAVING HARDWARE ASSIST ARCHITECTURE AND METHOD OF  
CONNECTING A HOST SYSTEM TO A CHANNEL-BASED SWITCHED FABRIC IN A DATA NETWORK  
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**COMMUNICATION CONCERNING RELATED APPLICATION(S)**

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Applicants would like to bring to the Examiner's attention the following related application(s) in the above-identified patent application:

<u>Serial/Patent No.</u>	<u>Filing Date/Issue Date</u>	<u>Attorney Docket</u>	<u>Title</u>
09/671707 6831916	September 28, 2000	884.968US1	HOST-FABRIC ADAPTER AND METHOD OF CONNECTING A HOST SYSTEM TO A CHANNEL- BASED SWITCHED FABRIC IN A DATA NETWORK
09/731746	December 8, 2000	884.969US1	HOST-FABRIC ADAPTER HAVING BANDWIDTH-OPTIMIZING, AREA- MINIMAL, VERTICAL SLICED MEMORY ARCHITECTURE AND METHOD OF CONNECTING A HOST SYSTEM TO A CHANNEL- BASED SWITCH FABRIC IN A DATA NETWORK
09/669670	September 26, 2000	884.971US1	HOST-FABRIC ADAPTER AND METHOD OF CONNECTING A HOST SYSTEM TO A CHANNEL- BASED SWITCHED FABRIC IN A DATA NETWORK
09/698166	October 30, 2000	884.982US1	HOST-FABRIC ADAPTER HAVING MEMORY ACCESS BANDWIDTH OPTIMIZING SMART DECODER

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09/672711	September 29, 2000	884.984US1	HOST-FABRIC ADAPTER HAVING HARDWARE ASSIST ARCHITECTURE AND METHOD OF CONNECTING A HOST SYSTEM TO A CHANNEL-BASED SWITCHED FABRIC IN A DATA NETWORK
09/671703 6775719	September 28, 2000	884.985US1	HOST-FABRIC ADAPTER AND METHOD OF CONNECTING A HOST SYSTEM TO A CHANNEL- BASED SWITCHED FABRIC IN A DATA NETWORK

Continuations and divisionals may be later filed on the cases listed above, or cited to the Examiner in any previous Communication Concerning Related Applications. Applicants request that the Examiner review all continuations and divisionals of the above-listed or previously-cited patent applications before allowing the claims of the present patent application.

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